November 18th, 2012



Traditionally the month of November is a time when we remember in prayer all who have died. Throughout the month a <u>Book of Remembrance</u> will be placed in front of

of Remembrance will be placed in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary altar, which will have names inscribed of all who have been buried from our parish from November 1st, 2011 to October 31st, 2012. Parishioners are also invited to add names of deceased loved ones to this list.

<u>Prayer cards</u> are available at the west and east entrances to church during the month of November to remember, in prayer, the suffering souls in purgatory.

If anyone is needing a <u>Mass Intention</u> for a 25^{th} , 40^{th} , 50^{th} , or 60^{th} Wedding <u>Anniversary in 2013</u> please contact the parish office before January 1^{st} so it can be scheduled. After January 1^{st} we will not be able to guarantee your desired date.

FYI – The construction has begun on the Narthex Addition. The south entrances to the church will have limited access until the work is completed.

FYI - Due to Thanksgiving, the bulletin for the weekend of November 25th will be printed early. Please have all bulletin announcements to the parish office by 10 AM, Tuesday, November 20th. *Thank you!*

The <u>flower arrangement</u> this weekend in front of the main altar is dedicated in loving memory of Dan Frehe, from his family: the flowers on the Blessed Virgin altar are in loving memory of the deceased members of the Brokamp, Arnold, Knight & Peterson families.

If anyone is interested or needing more information about the <u>Teams of our Lady</u> they are asked to please attend the <u>informational meeting</u> on Tuesday, November 27th, at 7 PM, in the church basement.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Reminder</u> - The Saturday evening Mass time has changed to 4 PM, (confessions begin @ 2:30 PM). The time change remains in effect until the weekend of March 16th, 2013.

FYI - Reminder of several changes for Mass times for this week: Monday, Mass, 7 AM in church; Tuesday, Mass at 8 AM; Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9 AM; Communion Service on Friday, 7 AM.

Welcome to the Christian Community Rykeir Kenneth Feldkamp, son of Tony & Sarah Feldkamp. Godparents Tyler Shinn and Margie Shinn. Rykeir will be baptized following 11 AM Mass this weekend.

The Seneca Volunteer Fire Department will be selling tickets for the 122rd Annual Fireman's Ball, at all the Masses this weekend. The Ball will be held Saturday, November 24th, at the K of C Hall, from 9 PM - 12 Midnight.

The SPPS PTO $31^{\rm st}$ Annual <u>Christmas Wonderland Arts</u> & <u>Craft Fair</u> will be this Sunday, from 8 AM - 3 PM at the Community Building. The lunch stand will be sponsored by the SPPS $8^{\rm th}$ grade class.

The SPPS <u>Soup Supper</u> will be held this Sunday, serving chili, vegetable beef, and chicken noodle soups, sandwiches, hot dogs & desserts. Serving begins at 4:30 PM, in the parish hall. Free will offering. Your support is greatly appreciated!

There will be an <u>Estate and Collectable Auction</u> at St. James Church, Wetmore, this Sunday, starting at 11 AM. Lunch will be available. The proceeds will go to the Church Building Fund.

Reminder that Monday, November 19th is the last day to donate to the Sts. Peter & Paul School annual Holiday Food Drive for the Seneca Food Pantry, collecting non-perishable food items, personal care items and new gloves and hats. Each family is encouraged to participate by

bringing items to the school, or placing them in marked drop boxes at the west and east entrances.

SPPS will <u>dismiss</u> at 1:20 PM on Tuesday, November 20th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

There will be NO <u>Adult Choir</u> practice on Tuesday, November 20th.

There will be NO <u>CCD classes</u> this Wednesday, November 21st, in observance of Thanksgiving.

The CCD K-12th grades will be collecting donations for the Nemaha County <u>Christmas Store</u> again this year. Requested donations include new clothing and shoes (children through adult), new toys and gift items for ages 0-18 years, non-perishable food items and toiletry items. Please bring your donations to class on Wednesday, November 28th and December 5th. Parishioners wanting to donate, may bring items to the parish office. Thanks for your generosity.

The United Methodist Church annual Thanksgiving Day Meal is Thursday, November 22nd, from 11 AM - 1 PM. Free will offering. For delivery call 336-3236.

The Parish Office will be <u>closed</u> Thursday and Friday, November 22nd and 23rd, in observance of the holiday.

<u>Congratulations</u> to Max Harder & Andrea Fangman, who were married on Saturday, November 17th. Our prayers and best wishes as they begin their married lives together.

Thank you to all who gave to the Hurricane Sandy Collection. We collected \$2,943.00 to help the people on the east coast.

Contributions for 11-1-12: Weekly Budget \$15,000

11-11-12 (Electronic Fund Transfer)	Envelopes EFT's	\$	7,738.00 0.00
	Plate	\$	600.00
School (Electronic Fund Transfer)	EFT's	\$ \$	1,375.00 0.00
All Saints Day		\$	20.00
Thanksgiving		\$	75.00
Total	Thank you!	\$	9,808.00

Electronic Fund Transfer: Please participate in EFT and save money for the parish. To participate please contact the parish office, 336-2128.

The yearly payment of \$18 for the <u>Leaven</u> is due:

Total amount due - \$9,828.00 Collected to date - \$3,946.00 (Still Needed) - \$5,882.00

If you have not paid for your subscription, please make your payment as soon as possible. The parish must cover the expense for those that do not pay.

Is the Lord calling you to one hour of prayer weekly? Anyone is always welcome to become an Adorer of our Blessed Sacrament. Adorers are needed for Friday, 12 Midnight - 1 AM; Sunday, 1 - 2 PM. Please call Sue, 336-2297, if willing to take an hour or for more info. on times.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The annual K of C <u>Pancake Breakfast</u> will be Sunday, November 25^{th} , from 7 AM - 12:30 PM at the parish hall. Proceeds from the free will offering will be given to help the seminarians.

Early Consignments wanted for the St. James Consignment Auction in Wetmore, on Sunday, December 2nd, at 10 AM. Advertising Deadline is Monday, November 12th. Accepting construction and farm equipment, trucks, cars, farm supplies, hay household wares, etc. Contact 785-547-5082 or 785-207-0434. The 22nd annual Horton Christmas "Festival of Lights" will be on Sunday, December 2nd, from 5:30 to 8 PM Ten city blocks lined with 1400 glowing luminaries outlining the route will be transformed into 20 living scenes of the life of Christ. There is no charge for this event, but a free will donation may be given to benefit an emergency fund to help those in need. Shuttle service available at local churches or Tri-County Manor. Please listen to KNZA for cancellation due to bad weather.

A <u>fundraiser</u> is being organized for Ben Niehues & will be held on Saturday, December 8th at St. Bede's Church, Kelly. If you would like to donate to the meal, drawing, auction or dance please contact any of the following: Daren Ronnebaum, 785-294-0242, <u>darenronnebaum@yahoo.com</u>; Richard Engelken, 785-336-1426, <u>bigbuck181@yahoo.com</u>; Steve Evans, 785-364-5997 or Teresa Holthaus, 785-336-1076, <u>teholthaus@yahoo.com</u>. You may also drop off any donations at Teresa's Styling Salon in Seneca.

The 2012 Axtell Ecumenical <u>Christmas Cantata</u> will be Sunday, December 9th, at the <u>Salem Luthern Church</u>, south of Axtell. This year's cantata will be "Let the Whole World Sing", by Joel Raney, directed by Stan Murphy and accompanied by Owen Zinke.

If you would like to donate a *poinsettia* to the church in memory of a loved one during the Christmas season please order from Seneca Florist, 336-6186, by Friday, December 21st.

The SPPS PTO will again sponsor the <u>Memory Tree</u> in our church this Christmas season. This provides a way to remember a loved one, *living or deceased*, that's unable to be with you during the holidays. The cost is \$2 per name with the money to be given to the school to purchase necessary items. Please call Gloria at 336-3691 (H), or 336-2128 (W), by Friday, December 21st, to include a loved one.

<u>Living in Love</u> is the retreat for the married couples is coming back to Seneca. It had a great response in the area. The Archdiocese is setting up another retreat in Seneca <u>March 2nd & 3rd, 2013</u> for the year of Faith. Please register ASAP by calling the parish office or go to <u>www.archkck.org/faith/livinginlove</u>.

When we count our many blessings,

It isn't hard to see,

That what we value most in life,

Are the treasures that are free...

For it's not the things that we possess,

That signify our wealth,

But the blessings that are priceless,

Like our family, friends and health!

Have a Safe & Happy Thanksgiving!